

2005-06 UW-River Falls Basketball

General Information

School: UW - River Falls

Location: River Falls, Wis.

Address: 410 S. Third St.
River Falls, WI 54022

Founded: 1874

Enrollment: 6,000

Nickname: Falcons

School colors: Red and White

Home Court/capacity: 2,000

Affiliation: NCAA Div. III

Conference: Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

Athletic director: Rick Bowen (715-425-3246)

Athletic trainer: Gary Eloranta (715-425-3130)

Sports Information director: Jim Thies (715-425-3846)

Basketball History

First year of basketball: 1912 (latest stats date back)

WIAC Championships: (12) 1916, 1917, 1920, 1923, 1927, 1929, 1930, 1936, 1947, 1949, 1950, 2004

Coaching Staff

Head Coach: Rick Bowen

Alma Mater: Indiana (1966)

Record at School: 261-240

Career Record: 261-240

Vs. Whitewater: 12-26

Assistant Coaches: Jeff Berkhof, Dave Young, Kurran Sagan

Team Information

Overall 2004-05 Record: 8-17

2004-05 Record at Home: 6-6

2004-05 Record on Road: 1-11

WIAC record, finish: 4-12 (8th)

Letter Winners returning, lost: 10/5

UW- River Falls (2-10, 1-3 WIAC)

vs.

UW-Whitewater (9-2, 4-0 MIAC)

Saturday, Jan. 7, 2006, 3 p.m.

Karges Center, River Falls, Wis.

The Game

-The Falcons play for the first time in 2006 when they host UW-Whitewater at the Karges Center in a WIAC matchup.

-This is the first of two meetings between the teams this year. They play again on Feb. 11 in Whitewater.

-The Falcons will try to snap a two-game losing streak. Whitewater will be looking for its eighth win in a row.

-River Falls is 1-3 in WIAC play. The Falcons opened WIAC play with a win over Superior (61-55), but have lost to Stevens Point (74-53), Eau Claire (57-56) and Platteville (58-45). The Falcons are 1-1 at Karges Center in WIAC play.

-Whitewater is in first place in the WIAC with a perfect 4-0 record. They have picked up WIAC wins over La Crosse (63-57), Stevens Point (70-64), Superior (88-58) and Eau Claire (70-62). Only the La Crosse game was played on the road.

-The Falcons are led in scoring and rebounding by Hans Hoeg who averages 16.3 points and 4.8 rebounds a game. The Warhawks are led by Jeremy Manchester who averages 13.1 points a game. Andy Freund leads the team averaging 7.1 rebounds a game.

-The Falcons play only WIAC games for the rest of the season. The team finished 1-7 against non-WIAC teams. The Falcons were 0-3 against scholarship schools. will next play at UW-Stout on Jan. 11. Tip off is set for 7 p.m.

River Falls - Previous Week Recap

The Falcons lost two close games in their own Cenex-Harvest States Classic at the Karges Center on Dec. 29-30. The Falcons lost to Simpson in their first game, 65-64, and 56-53 to St. Thomas. Ryan Thompson led the Falcons with 18 points against Simpson. Hans Hoeg scored 16. Hoeg led the Falcons with 17 points against St. Thomas. Ryan Zylstra scored 14 points and led the Falcons with six rebounds.



Hans Hoeg



Ryan Thompson

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UW-RF's Record When...

	04-05	05-06
Ahead at the half	3-4	2-3
Behind at the half	3-13	0-6
Tied at the half	2-0	0-1
Better FG% than opponent	3-1	1-1
Worse FG% than opponent	4-16	1-8
Same FG% as opponent	1-0	0-1
Try more than 20 3FG's	4-13	1-5
Try less than 20 3FG's	4-4	1-5
Shoot more FT's than opp.	6-4	2-3
Shoot less FT's than opp.	2-14	0-7
Outrebound opp.	0-0	0-1
Tied or outrebounded by opp.	8-17	2-9
More turnovers than opp.	1-7	0-5
Less turnovers than opp.	5-10	2-4
Same amount of TO's	2-0	0-1
Score less than 50 pts.	1-1	0-1
Score 50-59 pts.	0-9	0-5
Score 60-69 pts.	3-5	1-4
Score 70-79 pts.	2-1	1-1
score 80+ pts.	2-1	0-0
Allow less than 50 pts.	1-0	0-0
Allow 50-59 pts.	2-1	1-4
Allow 60-69 pts.	3-6	1-2
Allow 70-79 pts.	2-6	0-3
Allow 80+ pts.	0-4	0-1
Overtime	0-0	0-0
Home games	6-6	1-4
Road games	1-11	1-4
Neutral site games	1-0	0-2



Head Coach - Rick Bowen

Rick Bowen begins his 20th season as the UW-River Falls basketball coach in 2005-06.

He will be the first to admit that his lengthy tenure surprises him as much as anybody. "I originally came here thinking I would stay a maximum of five years and move on, but the University and the community have been so good to me that it has just turned into 20 years.

"This is a very special place. I am allowed to teach and coach. I am allowed to live a life doing what I love to do. The University administration has its priorities in order. I have really come to respect basketball at the Div. III level. To have the opportunity to coach basketball at the highest of levels in the WIAC and UW-River Falls is a privilege."

Bowen currently is seventh all time in the WIAC win column. His 259 victories at UW-River Falls put him first all-time in Falcon victories. Combining his head high school and collegiate wins, Bowen is approaching the 400 win total for his career.

The 2003-04 season will go down in history as the season that ended 54 years of Falcon basketball frustration. The Falcons hit the 20-win mark for the first time since the 1950 season and brought the elusive WIAC championship home to Karges Center, the campus and the city of River Falls. He was named the WIAC basketball Coach of the Year award and his peers also selected him as the NABC West Region Coach of the Year.

This was not the only national recognition Bowen and the Falcons received. The NABC named 6-8 Rich Melzer as the Div. III National Player of the Year and a first team All-American for the second consecutive year. Melzer is now playing professionally for a team in New Zealand in the Australian professional league.

Success has not come easy for Bowen and UW-River Falls. The 2005-06 season begins the 94th season of collegiate basketball for the Falcons. The University sports an overall 883-927 record for a .490 win/loss percentage. Bowen is currently 259-234. Since the turn of the new century the Falcons have been 89-52 finishing 1st, 3rd, 3rd, 4th and 5th in the nation's most competitive basketball conference.

The seven consecutive winning seasons from 1989 to 1996 was a stretch that was last equaled in the 1915-22 Falcon basketball seasons. Bowen's Falcons made school history for the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th time by landing a spot in the NAIA District 14 playoffs in 1987, 1990, 1991 and 1992.

"I know we have struggled at times. I make no excuses. We are what we are. We play in Karges Center, a sub-par facility. We lack the historical perspective of some of our competitors. I have enjoyed taking the kids that want to come to River Falls to get a good education, and play basketball, and make us competitive. We have been consistently good, and I am very proud of that."

In the 2004-05 academic year Bowen's responsibilities increased as he was named the permanent UWRF Athletic Director, He is the only coach in the WIAC doing double duty serving as a coach and Director of Athletics.

Bowen came to UW-RF in 1986 following five years as a Wisconsin Badger assistant coach where he served on the staff with current Badger Coach Bo Ryan. He previously was an assistant coach at Ball State University, working under Coach Steve Yoder at both institutions.

Bowen graduated from Indiana University with an undergraduate degree in physical education in 1966. He served the Hoosiers as a student-manager under two time National Champion Coach Branch McCracken. Like his father, son Matthew was a basketball manager at Indiana University under Coach Bob Knight. Basketball runs deep in the Bowen family. Grandfather Vernie Bowen was an Indiana High School coach for 40 years. Nephew Christopher is currently the basketball manager at the United States Military Academy under Coach Jim Crews. Nephew Andrew Bowen is currently the basketball manager at Bethel College in Mishawaka, Indiana.

Bowen began his career in Indiana teaching government and coaching basketball. He earned a Masters degree from St. Francis in 1971. He served in the United States Army as a combat medic from 1967-69 with service in Vietnam from December of 1967 to December of 1968. For his actions in Vietnam he was awarded a Bronze Star.



Rick and his wife Sandy met as students while at Indiana University. They have been married for 39 years and have two sons. Sandy is retired after teaching cell biology and botany at River Falls High School. Matthew is assistant basketball coach at Valparaiso University and married to Birmingham, Ala., native Ashli. They have a daughter, McKenzi, 3, and reside in Valparaiso, Ind.



Mike and his wife Pam, a UWRP graduate in marketing communications and former Falcon tennis player from Monticello, Minn., own and operate Bowen's Garage on Main Street in River Falls. Pam also works in the Graduate and Outreach department at the University. Mike is a graduate of Dakota County Technical School.

The Bowen Years

Year	Overall	WIAC	Place
2005-06	2-10	1-3	
2004-05	8-17	4-12	tie 8th
2003-04	20-7	12-4	1st
2002-03	16-10	10-6	tie 3rd
2001-02	17-9	9-7	5th
2000-01	14-11	9-7	tie 3rd
1999-00	14-11	8-8	4th
1998-99	9-16	4-12	tie 7th
1997-98	14-11	7-9	6th
1996-97	11-14	5-11	6th
1995-96	13-12	5-11	6th
1994-95	14-11	7-9	5th
1993-94	16-9	9-7	4th
1992-93	13-12	6-10	6th
1991-92	15-12	7-9	5th
1990-91	17-12	10-6	3rd
1989-90	15-13	8-8	4th
1988-89	12-14	5-11	7th
1987-88	11-15	5-11	8th
1986-87	13-14	6-10	5th
Totals	261-240	137-171	

2006 WIAC Basketball Information

WIAC STANDINGS as of Jan. 4, 2006

	WIAC W-L	Overall W-L
Whitewater	4-0	9-2
Stout	4-1	11-2
Stevens Point	4-1	9-4
La Crosse	3-2	12-2
Oshkosh	2-2	8-4
River Falls	1-3	2-10
Eau Claire	1-3	8-4
Platteville	1-3	6-6
Superior	0-5	3-8

Upcoming games

Saturday, Jan. 7

Whitewater at River Falls 3 p.m.
Oshkosh at Eau Claire 7 p.m.
Stout at Stevens Point 5 p.m.
Platteville at Superior 3 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 8

Robert Morris at Oshkosh 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 10

Finlandia at Superior 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 11

River Falls at Stout 7 p.m.
La Crosse at Oshkosh 7 p.m.
Whitewater at Platteville 7 p.m.
Eau Claire at Stevens Point 7 p.m.

Recent results:

Wednesday, Jan. 4

Whitewater 70, Eau Claire 62
Stevens Point 79, Superior 49
Oshkosh 54, Platteville 50
La Crosse 61, Stout 59

Tuesday, Jan. 3

La Crosse 88, Northland 54

Monday, Jan. 1

Stevens Point 73, Viterbo 52
St. Scholastica 82, Superior 70

Preseason SID Poll

	04-05 Record
1. Oshkosh (7)	(19-8, 11-5)
2. Whitewater (1)	(19-9, 8-8)
3. Stevens Point	(29-3, 13-3)
4. Stout (1)	(13-11, 8-8)
5. Platteville	(19-7, 13-3)
6. La Crosse	(7-18, 4-12)
7. Eau Claire	(13-13, 6-10)
8. River Falls	(8-17, 4-12)
9.. Superior	(14-12, 5-11)

2005-06 Statistics, 2005-06 Schedule and Results

Name	GP	GS	MIN	AVG FG	FGA	PCT	3FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OR	DR	TR	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BK	ST	PTS	AVG	
Hans Hoeg	12	12	420	35.0	68	.459	23	59	.390	37	46	.804	15	43	58	4.8	18	0	20	24	2	15	196	16.3	
Eric Kossoris	12	3	264	22.0	38	.373	17	46	.370	13	17	.765	8	33	41	3.4	26	0	18	26	2	8	106	8.8	
Scott Kelly	12	10	284	23.7	24	.436	12	33	.364	14	19	.737	8	19	27	2.3	24	0	16	20	3	7	74	6.2	
Ryan Thompson	12	7	316	26.3	27	.63	4.29	13	.36	.361	2	2	1.000	2	11	13	1.1	16	0	44	34	1	8	69	5.8
Ryan Zylstra	12	7	156	13.0	29	.66	.439	0	0	.000	11	18	.611	12	19	31	2.6	24	1	5	6	5	5	69	5.8
Mark James	12	11	316	26.3	30	.75	.400	4	9	.444	4	9	.444	15	39	54	4.5	17	0	16	25	3	12	68	5.7
Jimmy Glaeser	6	2	72	12.0	7	.22	.318	4	15	.267	3	4	.750	3	3	6	1.0	2	0	8	4	0	9	21	3.5
Tim Pearson	10	1	134	13.4	11	.29	.379	4	14	.286	5	9	.556	6	11	17	1.7	18	1	8	10	2	6	31	3.1
Alex Maas	12	2	152	12.7	12	.32	.375	7	20	.350	5	7	.714	7	9	16	1.3	11	0	6	5	2	12	36	3.0
Cory Rondeau	12	3	115	9.6	9	.13	.692	0	0	.000	5	7	.714	8	15	23	1.9	12	0	3	3	3	1	23	1.9
Erik Olson	9	0	66	7.3	5	.18	.278	3	13	.231	4	4	1.000	2	6	8	0.9	6	0	5	4	2	3	17	1.9
Rory Trimbo	2	0	3	1.5	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1.0
Nick Hall	9	2	81	9.0	3	.13	.231	1	7	.143	0	0	.000	1	4	5	0.6	9	0	8	8	0	0	7	0.8
Joey Cowley	5	0	8	1.6	1	1	1.000	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0.2	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	0.6
Jesse Elling	5	0	11	2.2	1	3	.333	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	1	2	0.4	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0.4
Connor Graves	1	0	2	2.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team													14	33	47	3.9				3					
Totals	12				265	640	.414	89	254	.350	105	144	.729	102	247	349	29.1	184	2	157	173	26	87	724	60.3
Opponents.	12				286	620	.461	88	207	.425	125	176	.710	114	285	399	33.2	157	1	146	185	18	72	785	65.4

2-10 Overall, 1-3 WIAC

Home 1-4, Away 1-4, Neutral site 0-2

Date	W/L	Score	Opponent	Leading scorers	Leading rebounders
Nov. 18	L	57-54	Con.-St. Paul	Hoeg 17, Zylstra 14	Hoeg 7, James 7
Nov. 19	L	78-67	at St. Johns	Hoeg 16, Kossoris 12	Hoeg 6, Zylstra 6
Nov. 25	L	86-71	vs. Con. Irvine^	Hoeg 19, Kelly 10	James 5, Kossoris 5
Nov. 26	L	75-67	vs. Westmont^	Hoeg 12, James 12	Hoeg 7, James 4, Zylstra 4
Nov. 30	W	61-55	Superior*	Kossoris 20, Hoeg 18	Kossoris 6, Kelly 5, Rondeau 5
Dec. 3	L	74-53	at Stevens Point*	Hoeg 14, James 9	Hoeg 8, James 4
Dec. 7	L	57-56	at Eau Claire*	Hoeg 21, Rondeau 10	Rondeau 7, Hoeg 6
Dec. 10	L	58-45	Platteville*	Zylstra 10, Kossoris 9	James 4, Rondeau 3
Dec. 14	L	62-54	at Macalester	Hoeg 24, Zylstra 11	Kossoris 7
Dec. 16	W	79-61	at Bethany Lutheran	Pearson 19, Hoeg 16	Hoeg 5
Dec. 29	L	65-64	Simpson&	Thompson 18, Hoeg 16	James 7, Hoeg 5
Dec. 30	L	56-53	St. Thomas&	Hoeg 17, Zylstra 14	Zylstra 6, Hoeg 4
Jan. 7			Whitewater*		
Jan. 11			at Stout*		
Jan. 14			at Oshkosh*		
Jan. 18			at La Crosse*		
Jan. 21			Stevens Point*		
Jan. 25			at Superior*		
Jan. 28			Oshkosh*		
Feb. 1			Stout*		
Feb. 4			at Platteville*		
Feb. 8			Eau Claire*		
Feb. 11			at Whitewater*		
Feb. 15			La Crosse*		

^ at Concordia-Irvine Tournament
& Cenex Harvest States Tourney

* WIAC Games

**2006 UW River Falls Men's Basketball Roster - Numerical
as of Oct. 20**

No	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown/Last Team
3	Erik Olson	G	6-4	185	Fr.	South Stratford, VT
4	Ryan Thompson	G	6-0	190	So.	Viroqua, WI
5	Eric Kossoris	G	6-2	185	Jr.	Waukesha, WI/South
10	Joey Cowley	G	6-1	190	So.	Maple, WI/Northwestern
11	Jimmy Glaeser	G	6-2	160	Fr.	Maple, WI/Northwestern
15	Nick Hall	G	5-10	190	Jr.	Glenwood City, WI
21	Jesse Elling	G	6-0	170	Fr.	River Falls, WI
22	Mark James	F	6-5	195	Sr.	Scottsdale, AZ/Scottsdale CC
23	Hans Hoeg	G	6-3	200	Jr.	Litchfield, MN
32	Tim Pearson	F	6-5	210	So.	Eau Claire, WI/Memorial
33	Alex Maas	F	6-4	190	Sr.	Minong, WI/Mesabi CC
34	Scott Kelly	F	6-5	220	So.	Hastings, MN
40	Rory Trimbo	C	6-6	235	Fr.	Belle Plaine, MN
41	Connor Graves	G	6-2	205	Fr.	Grantsburg, WI
44	Ryan Zylstra	C	6-10	250	So.	Annandale, MN
45	Cory Rondeau	F	6-7	235	So.	Grand Rapids, MN

Head coach: Rick Bowen

Assistant coaches: Jeff Berkhof, Dave Young, Kurran Sagan

Managers: Scott Hall, Amanda Collova, Erik Charney, Andy Thompson

2006 UW River Falls Men's Basketball Roster - Alphabetical

No	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown/Last Team
10	Joey Cowley	G	6-1	190	So.	Maple, WI/Northwestern
21	Jesse Elling	G	6-0	170	Fr.	River Falls, WI
11	Jimmy Glaeser	G	6-2	160	Fr.	Maple, WI/Northwestern
41	Connor Graves	G	6-2	205	Fr.	Grantsburg, WI
15	Nick Hall	G	5-10	190	Jr.	Glenwood City, WI
23	Hans Hoeg	G	6-3	200	Jr.	Litchfield, MN
22	Mark James	F	6-5	195	Sr.	Scottsdale, AZ/Scottsdale CC
34	Scott Kelly	F	6-5	220	So.	Hastings, MN
5	Eric Kossoris	G	6-2	185	Jr.	Waukesha, WI/South
33	Alex Maas	F	6-4	190	Sr.	Minong, WI/Mesabi CC
3	Erik Olson	G	6-4	185	Fr.	South Stratford, VT
32	Tim Pearson	F	6-5	210	So.	Eau Claire, WI/Memorial
45	Cory Rondeau	F	6-7	235	So.	Grand Rapids, MN
4	Ryan Thompson	G	6-0	190	So.	Viroqua, WI
40	Rory Trimbo	C	6-6	235	Fr.	Belle Plaine, MN
44	Ryan Zylstra	C	6-10	250	So.	Annandale, MN

UW-River Falls vs. UW-Whitewater -- Last Meeting

Jan. 22, 2005 at Whitewater, Wis.

Whitewater 76, River Falls 53

The Falcon men's basketball team (6-11, 2-7) suffered a 76-53 loss at UW-Whitewater (13-4, 5-4) late Saturday afternoon. River Falls trailed 29-20 at halftime but were outscored by 14 points in a second half that saw Whitewater score 47 points.

For the game the Falcons shot 21-59 (35.6) from the field, 8-28 (28.6) from three point land and 3-8 (37.5) from the free throw line. The Warhawks finished shooting 28-63 (44.4) overall, 6-17 (35.3) from three and 14-21 (66.7) from the line.

Whitewater out rebounded RF 47-34 and only turned the ball over nine times while causing 12 Falcon turnovers.

The Warhawks Angelo Griffin finished with a game high 19 points. UWW's Craig Anderson and Melvin Williams each had 12 points while Anderson also grabbed a game high eight rebounds.

Individually for River Falls only two players reached double figures, senior guard Dan Torrez had 15 points and sophomore guard Eric Kossoris put in 13 points. Freshman guard Ryan Thompson led RF with six rebounds and tied sophomore guard Hans Hoeg with a team high four assists.

Game #17

1/22/05

Whitewater 76

River Falls 53

at Whitewater, Wis.

River Falls (fgm-fga, ftm-fta, pts.): Holt 1-6, 0-0, 2, Hall 0-2, 0-0, 0, Hoeg 0-1 0-0, 0, Kelly 2-5, 0-2, 6, Coffman 0-1 0-0, 0, Kossoris 5-11, 0-1, 13, Haag 0-1, 0-0, 0, Thompson 2-7, 0-0, 4, Torrez 5-11, 2-2, 15, Pearson 1-1, 0-0, 2, Maas 1-1, 1-2, 3, Lucarevic 1-2, 0-0, 2, Zlystra 3-9, 0-0, 6, Rondeau 0-1 0-1, Totals 21-59, 3-8, 53.

Whitewater (fgm-fga, ftm-fta, pts.): Anderson 4-12 2-2, 12, Manchester 1-4, 0-0, 2, Griffin 9-16, 1-4, 19, Williams 3-7, 4-5, 12, Toellner 2-7, 4-5, 8, Corbett 1-1, 0-0, 2, Hunter 0-1, 0-0, 0, Fischer 0-1, 0-0, 0, Price 3-6, 0-0, 8, King 1-3, 1-2, 3, Krull 0-1 0-0, 0, Perry 4-4, 2-3, 10, Serath 0-0, 0-0, 0, Groth 0-0, 0-0, 0, Totals 28-63, 14-21, 76.

Rebound Leader: W-Anderson, 8; RF-Thompson, 6

Assist Leader: W-Manchester, 8; RF-Hoeg, Thompson, 4

Halftime: W 29, RF 20